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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

APPLICANTS: John A. Corey *et al.*

FOR: METHODS AND APPARATUSES FOR MANAGING  
EFFLUENT PRODUCTS IN A FUEL CELL SYSTEM

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New York, New York

**Mail Stop PATENT APPLICATION**

Commissioner for Patents  
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**REQUEST FOR FILING A CONTINUING UTILITY APPLICATION  
UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b)**

1. This is a request for filing a continuing application under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b).  
This application is a continuation of United States patent application No. 09/818,290, filed on March 27, 2001.
2. Priority to the above application is claimed under:  
 35 U.S.C. §120  
United States patent application No. 09/818,290, filed on March 27, 2001

**APPLICATION ELEMENTS:**

3.  Specification (Total pages: 20):  
Specification (19 pages); Abstract (1 page); and  
Drawings (Formal) (Figs. 1-6) (7 sheets)
4.  Declaration (total pages: 4)  
 Copy from a prior application (37 C.F.R. §1.63(d))
5.  Incorporation by reference

The entire disclosure of U.S. application No. 09/818,290, filed March 27, 2001, is part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference.

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**ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS:**

6.  Preliminary Amendment

A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed herewith. Please enter the claim amendments prior to calculating the filing fee.

7. Fee Calculation:

CLAIMS AS FILED					
Claims	Number Filed	Basic Fee Allowance	Number Extra	Rate	Basic Fee 37 C.F.R. §1.16(a) \$750.00
Total Claims (37 C.F.R. §1.16(c))	1	- 20 =	0	\$ 18.00	0
Independent Claims (37 C.F.R. §1.16(b))	1	- 3 =	0	\$84.00	0
Multiple Dependent Claims, if any (37 C.F.R. §1.16(d))				\$280.00	-
				SUBTOTAL:	\$750.00
				Reduction by 50% for filing by small entity:	- \$375.00
				<b>TOTAL FEE:</b>	<b>\$375.00</b>

8.  A check in the amount of **\$ 375.00** is enclosed.

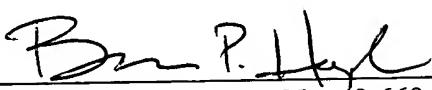
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